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SUBJECT: EC 9 DISCUSSION OF CSCE

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BEGIN SUMMARY: WE ARE INFORMED THAT EC POLITICAL DIRECTORS
DISCUSSED TWO ASPECTS OF CSCE AT THEIR MEETING ON MARCH 30:
THE DANISH MANDATE ON HUMAN CONTACTS AND THE TIMING FOR CONVENING
THE CSCE MINISTERIAL MEETING. END SUMMARY.

1. DAVIGNON REPORTEDLY INTRODUCED THE QUESTION OF THE DANISH
MANDATE ON HUMAN CONTACTS BECAUSE THE EC MINISTERS HAD AGREED
THERE SHOULD BE SOME DELAY BETWEEN DECISIONS REACHED AMONG THE
9 IN HELSINKI AND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THOSE ACTIONS TO
PROVIDE CAPITALS A CHANCE TO REACT. THE PAPER WAS OF COURSE
APPROVED BY THE POLITICAL DIRECTORS. (SEE HELSINKI 849.)

2. IN THE DISCUSSION ON THE DATE FOR CONVENING THE FOREIGN
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MINISTERS MEETING MOST POLITICAL DIRECTORS AGREED THAT THE
JUNE DATE SHOULD BE MAINTAINED, FOLLOWING THE FRENCH VIEW THAT

IT WOULD BE IMPORTANT TO KEEP TO THAT SCHEDULE, THE DUTCH, HOWEVER, MAINTAINED THAT THE JUNE DATE WAS NOT " SACROSANCT." THE DISCUSSION THEREAFTER TURNED TO THE QUESTION OF PRACTICAL MEANS OF MEETING THAT TARGET DATE, HOWEVER, IN TERMS OF WHAT PAPERS WOULD BE PRESENTED TO THE MINISTERS. THE DUTCH ARGUED THAT AGREED MANDATES COULD BE ACHIEVED ONLY AT THE EXPENSE OF COMPROMISES WHICH THE HAGUE WAS UNWILLING TO MAKE. THEREFORE, MANDATES WITH BRACKETED ALTERNATIVES WOULD BE THE ONLY FEASIBLE WAY OF ENSURING THAT MINISTERS COULD MEET IN JUNE. THE DUTCH EVIDENTLY RECEIVED SOME SUPPORT IN THIS FROM THE GERMANS AND ITALIANS WITH THE FRENCH ARGUING THAT THERE WAS STILL TIME TO REACH FULL AGREEMENT ON THE MANDATES BEFORE JUNE.

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